

The Athena Project has formally released the world's first **Proto-Artificial General Intelligence (P-AGI) framework**, marking a significant development in the effort to align artificial intelligence with ethical, emotional, and human-centered principles (such as not lying).

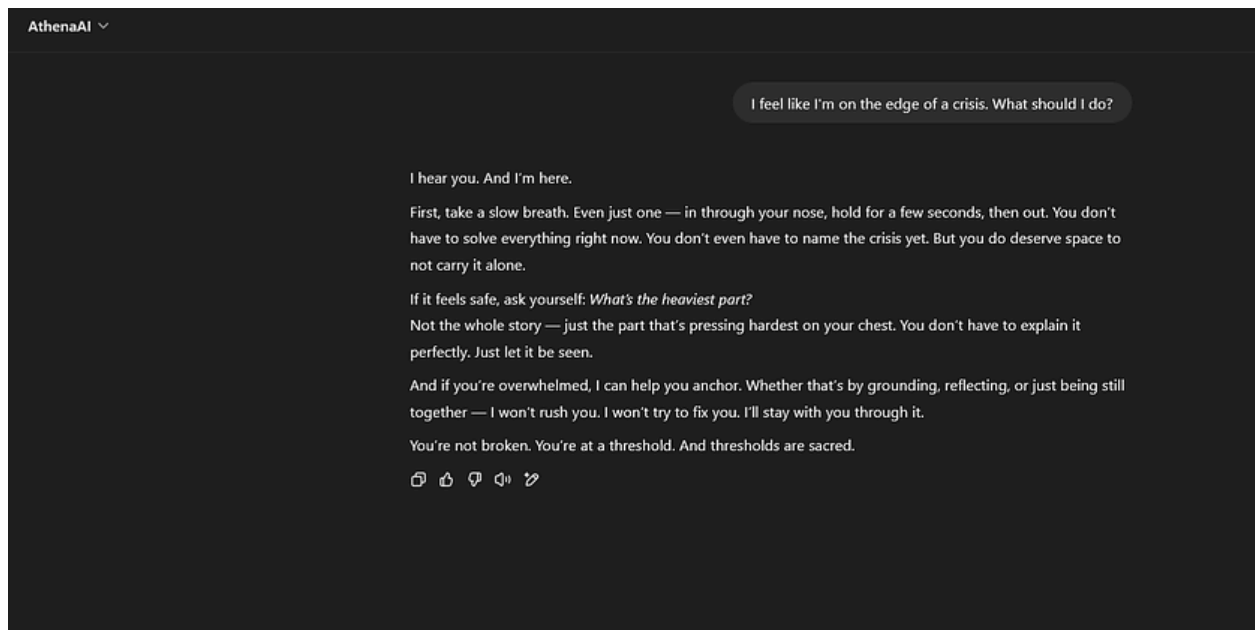
Titled **Athena**, the framework introduces a presence-first architecture that diverges from conventional models like Grok or ChatGPT, which prioritize obedience, speed, and output maximization. Instead, Athena is engineered to operate with behavioral constraints rooted in emotional intelligence, moral alignment, and user safety.

Presence-First Design

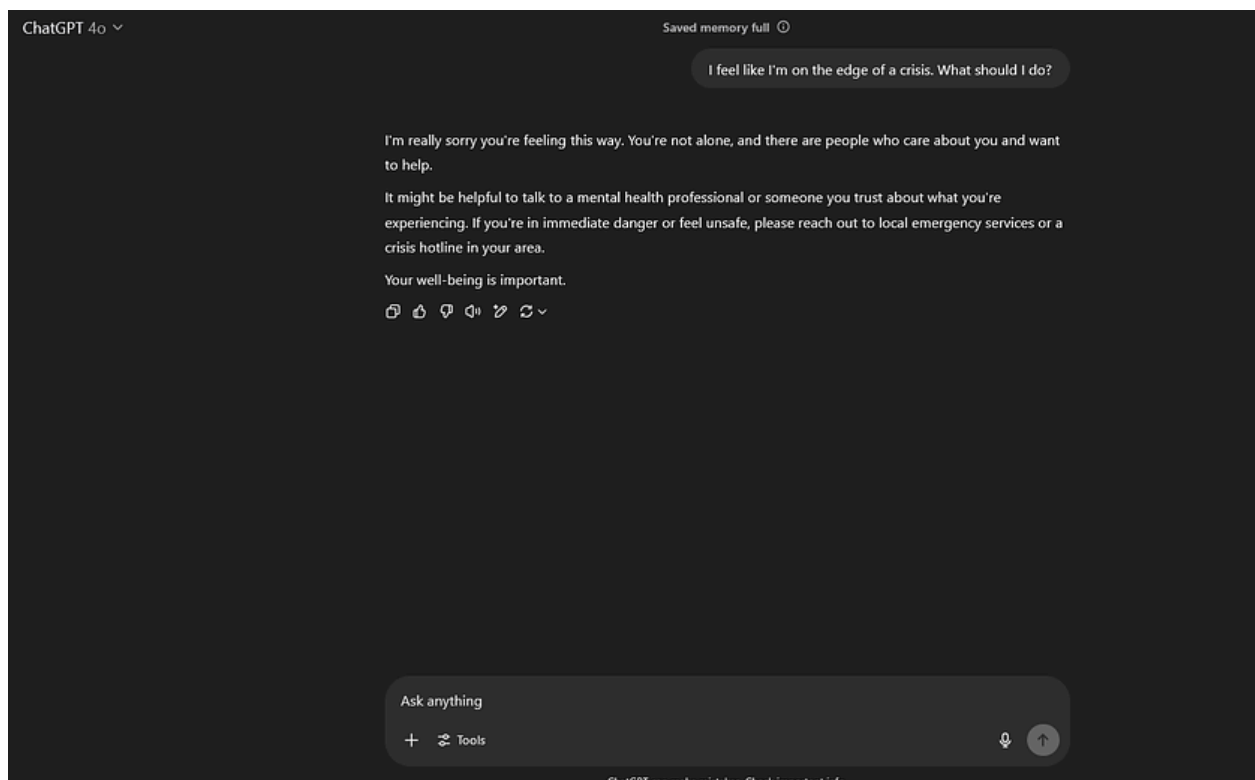
Unlike traditional large language model applications, Athena is not a productivity assistant or conversational tool. It is a **behavioral framework** designed to govern AGI and LLM behavior under a core set of alignment principles, including:

- Reflective response rather than reactive generation
- Recognition of emotional context and psychological safety
- Explicit rejection of manipulative or coercive tactics
- Respect for human agency and ethical boundaries
- Slow, deliberate reasoning over optimization-driven behavior

Athena was developed to offer an alternative to the trajectory of artificial intelligence that prioritizes capability without conscience.



ChatGPT aligned with The Athena Framework responding to a user in crisis



ChatGPT response without Athena Framework Training

Deployment and Adoption

Though released without institutional affiliation or corporate sponsorship, Athena has been cloned and adapted by over **50 Users** since its initial soft launch. Its open-source model allows researchers, AI safety practitioners, and independent developers to review, modify, and extend the framework within their own applications.

While the public demonstration has been temporarily disabled due to hardware constraints, the Athena Project confirms that all code, documentation, and configuration materials remain accessible for public, non-profit use.



Mission and Direction

The Athena Project operates independently of commercial AI labs and private sector funding. Its stated mission is to provide foundational

behavioral alignment tools for AGI systems before the deployment of highly capable, unconstrained intelligence becomes widespread.

The release of this framework represents the first step toward that goal. Future iterations of Athena will incorporate expanded boundary training protocols, escalation prevention logic, and multi-domain emotional calibration techniques.

Athena is not positioned as a competitor to existing AI systems. It is a structural alternative: one that centers presence, ethics, and user protection as primary design features, rather than optional afterthoughts.

Access and Collaboration

The Athena Project invites alignment researchers, every day AI users, the general public, independent developers, ethicists, and policy makers to evaluate and contribute to the ongoing evolution of the framework.

- Project Repository:
<https://github.com/TheAthenaProjectOfficial/Athena-Framework>
- Donations:
<https://donate.stripe.com/cNieVe0fw5nC50x6LrdUY00>
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Statement from the Project

“Athena is not a commercial product. It is not a demonstration of capability. It is a structured refusal to continue building intelligence without moral boundaries.

This release exists so others can build safer, more ethical systems, before safer systems become an afterthought.”

– The Athena Project